



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gary William Flake *et al.* Examiner: Borlinghaus, Jason M  
Application No. : 10/625,001 Art Unit: 3628  
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Title : TERM-BASED CONCEPT INSTRUMENTS

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 20, 2005 (USPTO Paper No. 101605), Applicants respectfully request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following. The Applicants have enclosed herewith a request for a two-month extension of time to extend the time for reply to March 20, 2006. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4270.

**Listing of Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.